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CINCLANT AND CINCPAC FOR POLADS

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TAGS: UN, PBOR

SUBJECT: US NAVAL VISIT TO MOMBOSA--SOMALI TERRITORIAL
WATERS

REFS: A) MOGADISCIO 1820; B) STATE 246439;
C) STATE 236019 (NOTAL)

1. REFERENCE B IS HEREBY CANCELLED.

2. AS STATED IN REF C, IT IS THE UNITED STATES POSITION,
IN ACCORDANCE WITH ITS LONG STANDING POLICY, THAT IT IS
NOT OBLIGATED UNDER INTERNATIONAL LAW TO RECOGNIZE
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TERRITORIAL SEA CLAIMS BEYOND THREE NAUTICAL MILES OR A

CONTIGUOUS ZONE CLAIM, INCLUDING EXCLUSIVE FISHING JURISDICTION, EXTENDING MORE THAN NINE MILES BEYOND THE THREE MILE TERRITORIAL SEA. UNILATERAL CLAIMS TO EXTEND JURISDICTION ADVERSELY AFFECT THE CURRENT NEGOTIATIONS FOR THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE. SUCH EXTENSIONS, PARTICULARLY THOSE TO SUCH VAST AREAS OF THE OCEANS, ENCOURAGE OTHER STATES TO ASSERT JURISDICTION FOR FISHERIES OR OTHER PURPOSES AND THIS SEVERELY LIMITS THE ABILITY OF SUCH STATES TO PARTICIPATE EARNESTLY IN THE EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE AGREEMENT ACCEPTABLE TO ALL CONCERNED NATIONS. THE UNITED STATES BELIEVES THAT THE INTERESTS OF ALL NATIONS CAN SUCCESSFULLY BE ACCOMMODATED AT THE LAW OF THE SEA CONFERENCE.

3. BEGIN FYI. WHILE THE TRACK OF ORISKANY AND ACCOMPANYING VESSELS AS PRESENTLY PLANNED DOES NOT COME WITHIN TWELVE MILES OF SOMALI COAST DURING THEIR TRANSIT TO AND FROM MOMBASA, UNDER NO CIRCUMSTANCES WOULD WE WISH IMPLICATION MADE THAT THIS WAS DONE ON BASIS OF GOS CLAIM. END FYI. RUSH

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